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## ABSTRACT

The Child Care and Development Fund Program (CCDF) brings together four Federal Child Care Subsidy programs and allows states to design a comprehensive, integrated service delivery system to meet the needs of low-income working families. This fund assists low-income families and those transitioning off welfare to obtain child care so that they can work or attend training or education. Using data compiled from information received from Arkansas CCDF sites, this report provides statistical information on the children served and their households during fiscal year 1997-98. Statistics are presented in graphs and charts for student totals by county of residence and by program type, age, female-male ratio, race, household income, disabilities, percentage parent pays, eligibility categories, and student total by site. Eligible children are those under age 13 (or up to age 19, if disabled), who reside with a family whose income does not exceed 85% of the State median income for a family of the same size, and reside with a parent who is working or attending a job-training or educational program, or are receiving protective services. A total of 3,215 children were served as reported from the CCDF sites, an increase of 171% from the 1996-97 fiscal year. (JPB)

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## Introduction

The Child Care and Development Fund Program (CCDF) was authorized by the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, P.L. 104-193. It brings together four Federal Child Care Subsidy programs and allows states to design a comprehensive, integrated service delivery system to meet the needs of low-income working families. Three programs, AFDC/JOBS Child Care, Transitional Child Care, and At-Risk of Welfare Dependency Child Care (formerly called Title IV-A Child Care), were repealed and all child care funding combined under the former Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) program. The CCDBG regulations applied to the combined Child Care and Development Fund when they corresponded with the statute. This fund assists low-income families and those transitioning off welfare to obtain child care so that they can work or attend training or education. Additionally, the Child Care and Development Fund sets aside a minimum of four percent of federal and state funds to improve the quality and availability of healthy and safe child care for all families.

The program objectives are: (1) to allow each state maximum flexibility in developing child care programs and policies that best suit the needs of children and parents within each state; (2) to promote parental choice to empower working parents to make their own decisions on the child care that best suits their family's needs; (3) to encourage states to provide consumer education information to help parents make informed choices about child care; (4) to assist states in providing child care to parents who are trying to achieve independence from public assistance; and (5) to assist states in implementing the health, safety, licensing, and registration standards established in state regulations.

Eligible children are those under age 13 (or up to age 19, if disabled), who reside with a family whose income does not exceed 85% of the state median income for a family of the same size, and reside with a parent or parents who are working or attending a job-training or educational program; or are in need of, or are receiving protective services. Priority is given to service children in very low-income families and children with special needs.

The data are compiled from information received from the CCDF sites. This statistical report provides information on the children served and their households during fiscal year 1997-98.

A total of 3,215 children were served as reported from the CCDF sites compared to 1,187 served by the CCDBG last year. This is an increase of 171%, or 2,028, from fiscal year 1996-97. Sites participating in this program increased during 1997-98 to 106 compared to 43 last year. Most of the students were served in nonprofit centers, 38.6%, and most were served in Pulaski County, 21.3%. Other counties immediately following Pulaski County in service were Clark, 5.9%; Washington, 5.5%; Sebastian, 5.2%; and Jefferson, 4.5%. Eighty-three percent of the children were scheduled for six or more hours of care.

Most of the children were in single-parent households, 80.0%, and the heads of households were 88.8% female. Of the single-parent households, only 4.6% reported receiving child support, and only 9.0% reported receiving Temporary Employment Assistance. Seventeen percent of all households were in HUD housing and 45% were receiving food stamps. Other significant data are reported in the tables and charts that follow.

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## Student Total By County of Residence

Total Students ..... 3,215

Arkansas .....	65
Baxter .....	3
Benton .....	50
Boone .....	2
Bradley .....	75
Calhoun .....	3
Chicot .....	130
Clark .....	187
Cleburne .....	3
Cleveland .....	6
Columbia .....	24
Conway .....	40
Craighead .....	13
Crawford .....	82
Crittenden .....	123
Cross .....	6
Dallas .....	69
Dallas-Calhoun County Line .....	2
Desha .....	13
Drew .....	3
Faulkner .....	39
Franklin .....	2
Garland .....	72
Grant .....	13
Greene .....	67
Hempstead .....	17
Hot Spring .....	28
Howard .....	4
Independence .....	87
Izard .....	9
Jackson .....	2
Jefferson .....	139
Johnson .....	14
Lawrence .....	2
Logan .....	42
Lonoke .....	5
Madison .....	5
Marion .....	22
Miller .....	46
Mississippi .....	95
Monroe .....	28
Montgomery .....	6
Nevada .....	16
Newton .....	74
Ouachita .....	110
Perry .....	1
Phillips .....	22
Poinsett .....	49
Polk .....	11
Pope .....	4
Pulaski .....	680
Randolph .....	23
Saline .....	51
Scott .....	10
Searcy .....	12
Sebastian .....	168
St. Francis .....	40
Stone .....	21
Union .....	8
Van Buren .....	20
Washington .....	173
White .....	67
Yell .....	8
Unreported .....	4

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### Student Total By Program Type

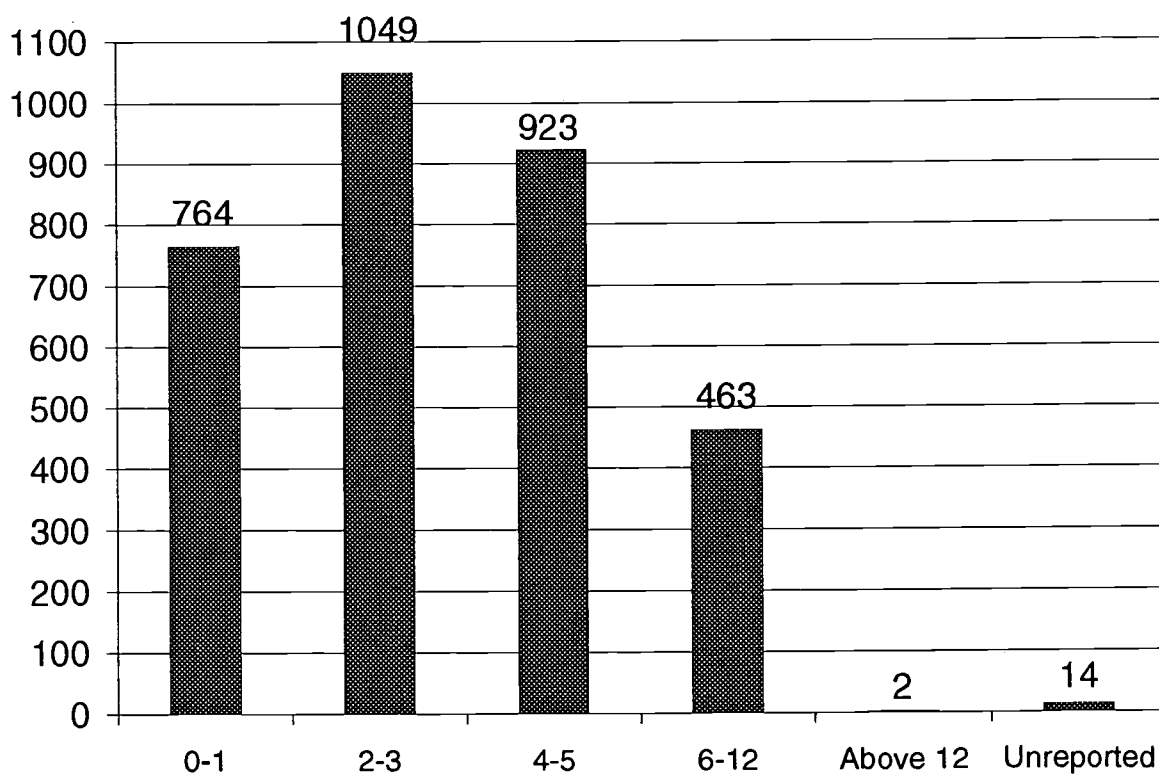
Total Students ..... 3,215

Church Sponsored Center .....	4
Community Based .....	258
Day Care Family Home .....	33
For-profit Center .....	45
Head Start .....	685
Nonprofit Center .....	1,240
Operated by Coop .....	43
Operated by University .....	289
School Based .....	618

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## Age

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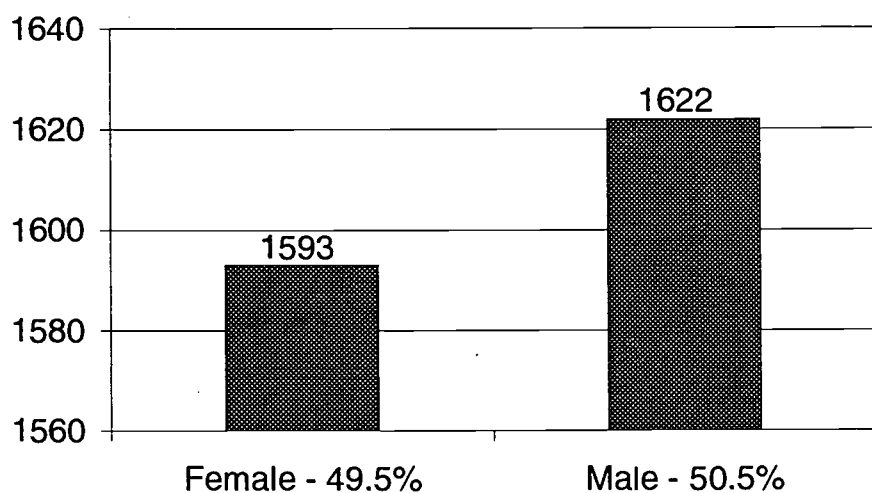




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## Female-Male Ratio

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## Race

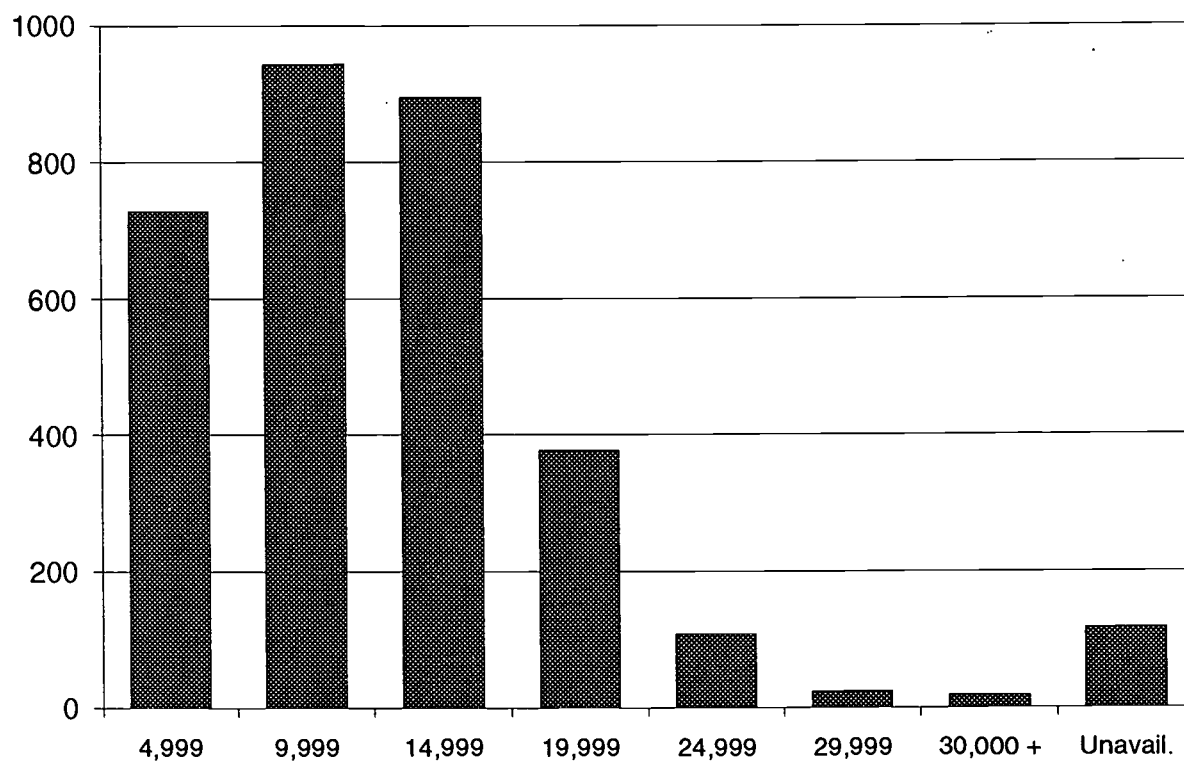
Total Students .....3,215

Asian .....	8
Black .....	1,887
Hispanic .....	45
Multiracial .....	59
Native American .....	9
White .....	1,193
Other .....	6
Unreported .....	8

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## Household Income

Total Students .....3,215

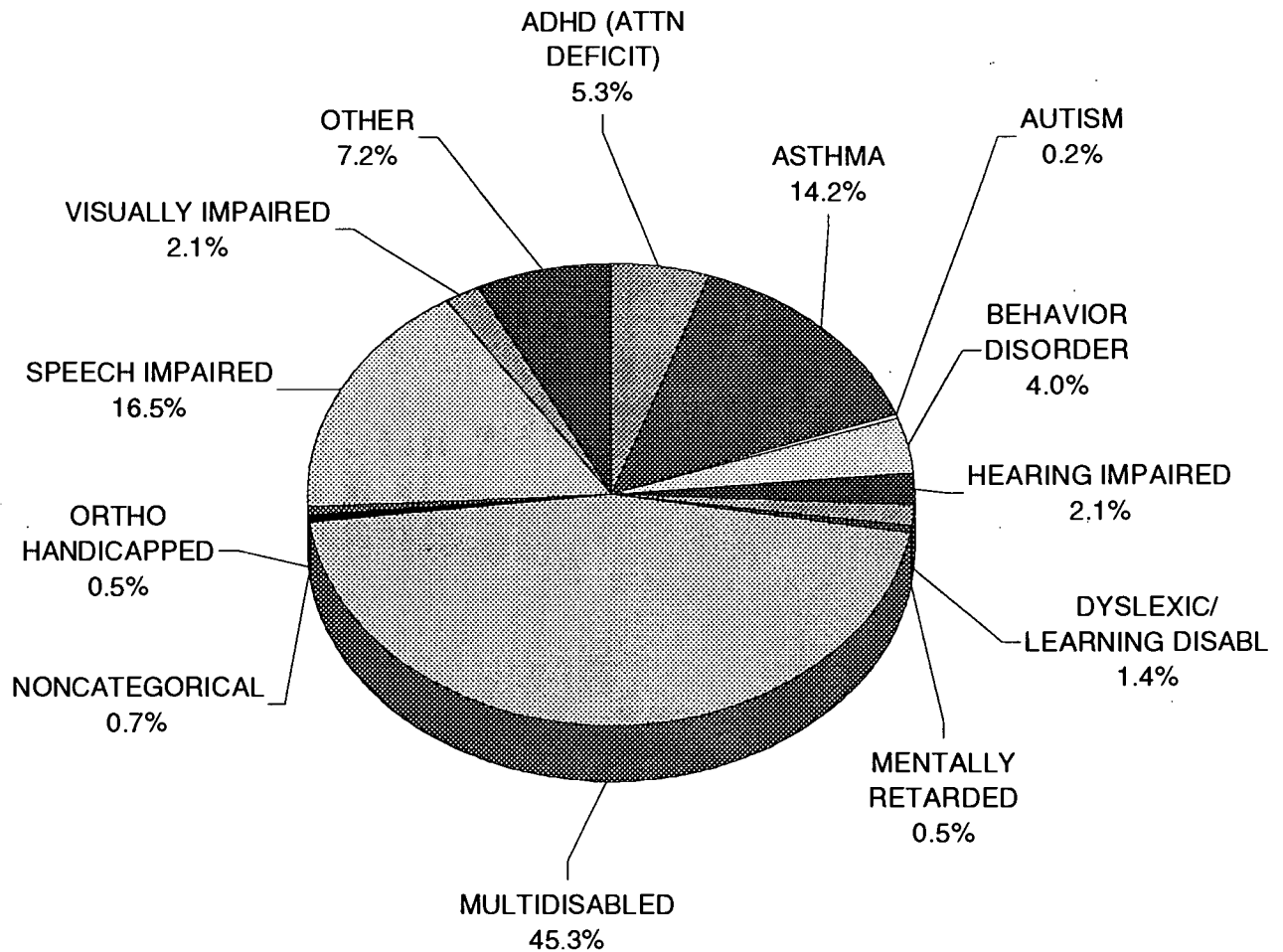


\$0	-	\$4,999	728
\$5,000	-	\$9,999	944
\$10,000	-	\$14,999	896
\$15,000	-	\$19,999	378
\$20,000	-	\$24,999	108
\$25,000	-	\$29,999	25
\$30,000 and above			19
Unavailable			117

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## Disabilities

Total Students ..... 3,215



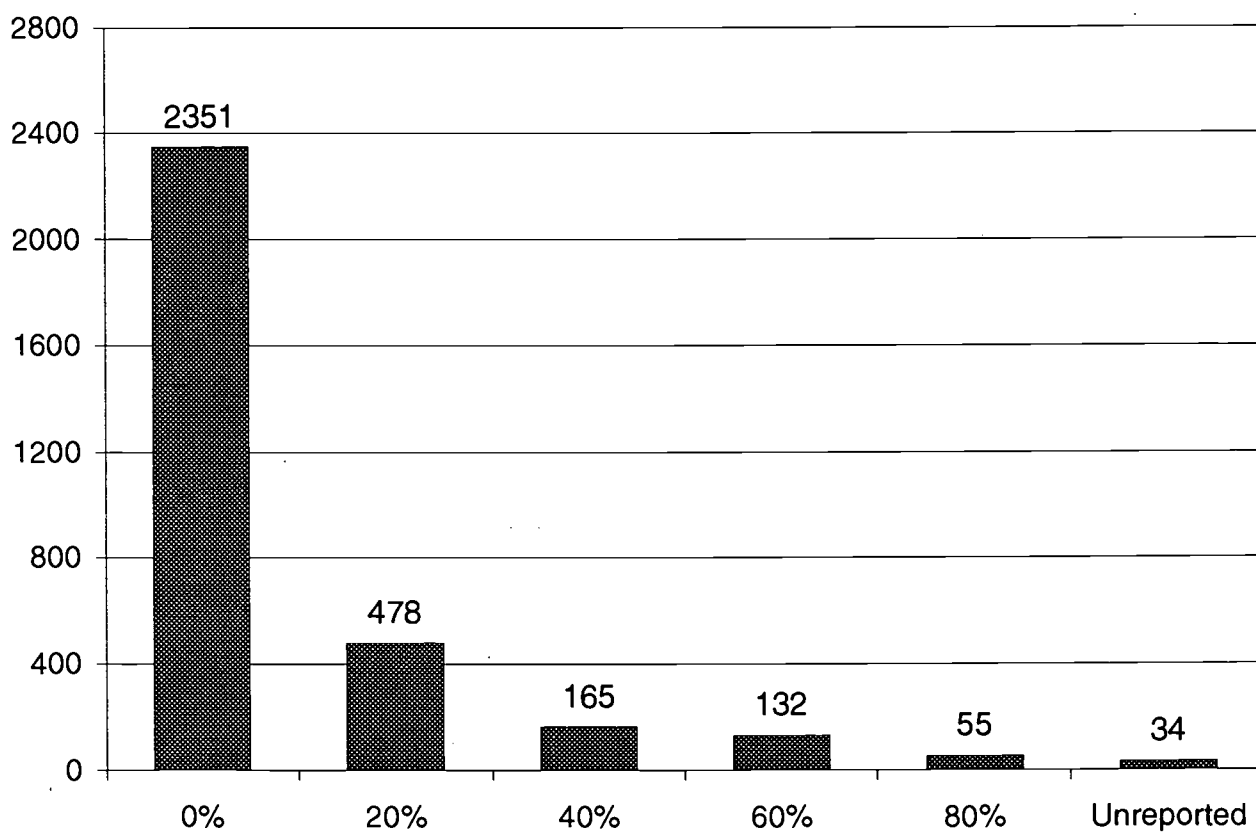
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Note: Percentages are based on total disabilities reported (not children). A child may have more than one disability.

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## Percentage Parent Pays

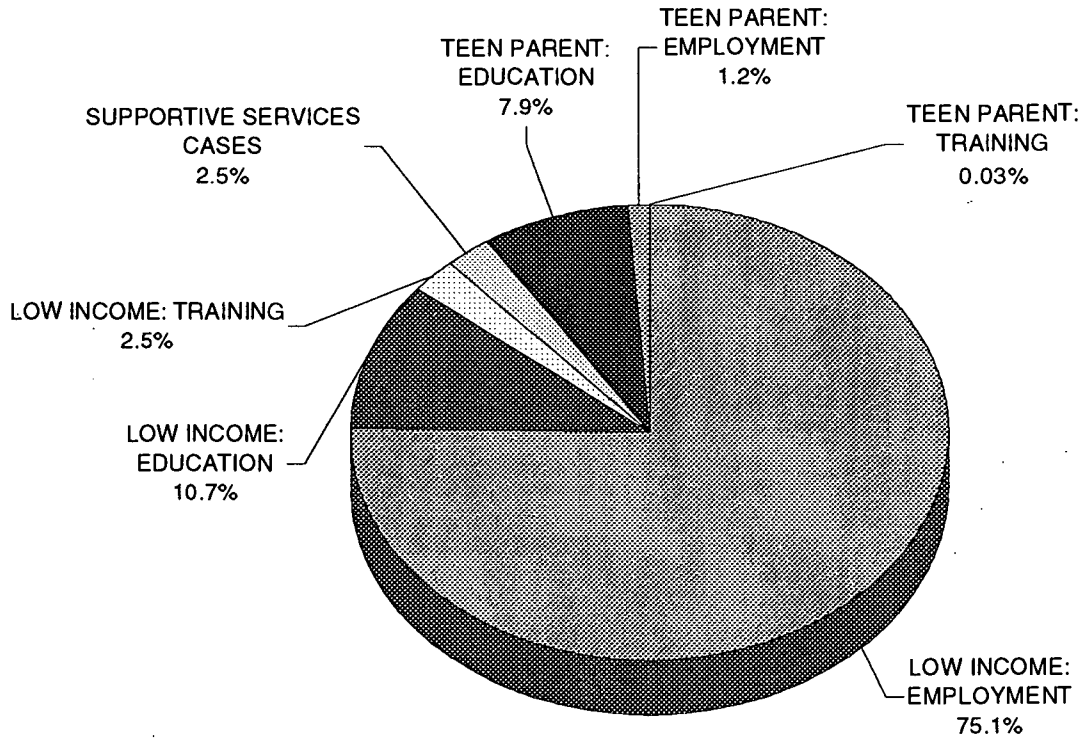
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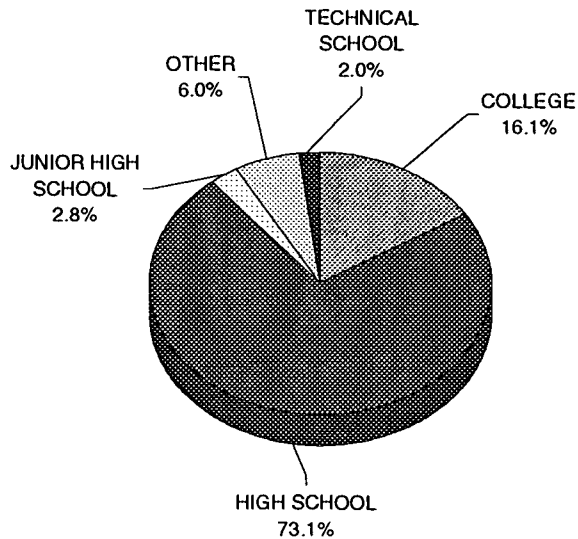
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## Eligibility Categories

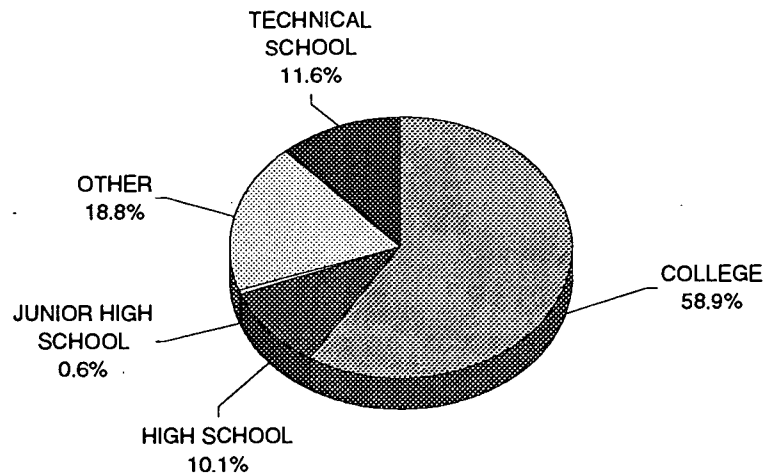
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### Teen Parent: Education Level Currently Being Completed



### Low Income: Education Level Currently Being Completed



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## Student Total By Site

Total Students ..... 3,215

Site Number	Number of Children	Site Number	Number of Children
001 Altheimer-Wabbaseka Learning Center .....	20	058 Children's Ark-Expansion Program .....	59
002 ASU I/T Centers .....	36 *	059 Conway Cradle Care .....	10
003 Bald Knob Sch/Birth To Basics .....	16	060 Cope Head Start Program .....	373 *
004 Bentonville Public Schools/Building Bridges .....	47	061 Crowley's Ridge Development Council, Inc .....	21
005 Bethel Learning Academy .....	29	062 Dermott Special School District .....	26
006 Central Arkansas Development Council .....	73	063 Dermott Day Service Center .....	17
007 Chapel Care/Mayflower .....	16	064 Early Bird Day Care Center .....	9
008 Child Development, Inc. ....	52	065 EOA of Washington County, Inc./Head Start .....	79 *
009 University Affiliated Program of Arkansas .....	61 *	066 In His Image Child Dev. Center III .....	22 *
010 City of Twin Groves .....	7	067 In His Image Child Dev. Center II .....	31 *
011 Earle School District .....	48	068 Infant/Toddler Development Program .....	17
012 Eastwood Gardens DC/Hot Springs Hous Authority .....	34	069 Kiddie Kollege Preschool Program .....	9
013 Esther's Quality Child Care Center .....	None Reported	070 Kiddie Karousel .....	32 *
014 Exemplary Child Learning Center .....	40 *	072 OUR Children's Center .....	None Reported
015 Family Success Project .....	76 *	074 Primary Learning Academy & Daycare .....	13
016 Forrest City Schools .....	13	075 Rising-Hi Child Development Center .....	39 *
017 SPICE/Fort Smith Public Schools .....	43 *	076 Saratoga School District .....	22
018 In His Image I .....	41 *	077 St. Francis House, Inc. ....	29
019 Springdale School District I/T Daycare .....	None Reported	078 Twin City Day Care Center, Inc. ....	14
020 Leola Child Care Center/Grant County-UCRC .....	13	079 Voc Home Economics Child Development Center .....	4
021 Lincoln Childcare Center, Inc. ....	28	080 Waldron Before/After School Program .....	9
022 Marmaduke School Dist/Little Red Sch House .....	27 *	081 Watson Child Care Center .....	None Reported
023 Magazine Opportunities Program .....	26	083 ABC Preschool .....	None Reported
024 Midland Tiny Tot Village .....	12	084 Sparkman Learn Center/Infant-Toddler Program .....	18 *
025 Mills High Sch I/T Center, Mills Comet Tots .....	2	085 Sparkman New Horizons .....	8 *
026 Mississippi County EOC Specialized CCS .....	95	086 Before & After School .....	29
027 Mt. Pleasant School District I/T Program ...	None Reported	089 Boys, Girls, Adults Comm. Dev. Center ....	None Reported
028 New Horizons Daycare, Inc. ....	12	090 Bull Shoals United Methodist Church Child Care .....	3
029 Wee Care Too, Inc. ....	25	092 Central AR Dev Council-Mt. Ida Child Care .....	6
030 Ozan-Carver Community Child Care Corp. ....	32	093 Southeast AR Community Action Corp .....	36 *
031 Pangburn Public School Dist/Child Care .....	8	094 Child Care "V" .....	17
032 AR River Education Coop (PATT) .....	14	095 Paradise Care, Inc. ....	32
034 Play School DC/IT Program .....	35	097 Community Family Enrichment Center, Inc. ....	27 *
035 Paragould School Dist/School of 21st Century .....	40 *	099 Ella Camp .....	7
036 Shirley School Dist/Shirley School Yard DC .....	21	101 Family Treatment & Rehab Program .....	19 *
037 Smackover School District .....	12	102 MiChild Enrichment Center (Friendship) .....	19
038 Southside Child Care Program .....	18	103 Greater St. Paul Kiddie Kollege .....	98
039 St. Augustine Center for Children .....	29 *	104 Happy Land Child Care Center, Inc. ....	79 *
042 UAPB Child Development Center .....	23	105 Holman Child Care & Dev Center .....	69
043 Fayetteville Pub Schools/W Campus Child Care .....	47 *	106 Huggie Bear Academy .....	18
044 World of Learning Children's Center .....	46	107 Kiddie Kollege-Van Buren .....	85 *
045 AR Children's Hospital/Kid's First .....	197 *	108 Kids County After-School Program .....	8
046 AR Early Childhood Institute .....	12 *	109 Linden Street Day Care Center .....	32 *
047 Fountain Lake Schools/Children First .....	4	110 Little People Child Care .....	13
048 Jefferson Sch Child Care Program .....	37 *	111 LR School Dist Learning Opp Center Day Care .....	8 *
049 Kingston School Dist/Early Child Program .....	7	113 Oak Grove Child Care Center, Inc. ....	18
050 Lakeside School Dist/Chicot County ECC .....	45	115 Peace of Mind Playtime .....	None Reported
051 Mid-Delta Comm Serv/N End Head Start .....	22	116 Pine Bluff School of Child Dev., Inc. ....	8
053 Newton County Resource Council .....	74	117 Precious Moments Inc/Krayola Corner .....	20
054 Panther's Cub Club/Plainview-Rover Schools .....	6	118 Rainbow Child Care .....	10
055 Pulaski Tech College/Children First .....	24	121 Southwest Ark Child Development Center .....	15
056 Asbury Day Care Center .....	None Reported	123 St. Claire Program .....	9
057 Camp Beebe Child Care Programs .....	22	124 Tiger Cubs Daycare .....	2

\*Denotes students reported at multiple sites.





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